

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
U.S. Application No. (Not yet assigned)
Divisional of Application No. 09/302,999

APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification is amended as follows:

In the first full paragraph on page 1, please make the following changes:

This is a divisional of Application No. 09/302,999 filed April 30, 1999, the disclosure of
which is incorporated herein by reference. The present invention relates to a rubber-steel cord
composite and a pneumatic tire for passenger cars[, and more particularly]. More particularly, it
relates to a rubber-steel cord composite showing excellent adhesion at high temperatures and
excellent durability, and a pneumatic tire for passenger cars showing excellent durability without
any adverse effect on performance in an inflated condition in which pressure inside the tire
(hereinafter referred to as internal pressure) is maintained and which can be safely used under
decreased internal pressure.

In the fourth full paragraph on page 2, please make the following change:

It is suggested in JP-A 56-131404 that a cord having [the] a 1+5 structure may be formed
using a core filament made to have a slightly wavy shape. However, because the diameter of the
core filament is smaller than the diameter of the sheath filaments, the above structure has
drawbacks in that gaps between sheath filaments are small to make the penetration of rubber
difficult, that the effect obtained by the wavy shape decreases due to decreased rigidity of the

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core filament and that the strength decreases when the core filament is shaped to a larger degree to improve penetration of rubber.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-4 are canceled.